

HELENA OPEN LANDS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
April 14, 2015

Room 326, City-County Building
5:31 to 6:52 pm

Wirak, chair, called the meeting to order at 5:31.

A quorum was present: Dan Wirak, Clint Morrison, Craig McLane, Jim Philips, Jane Kollmeyer, Ann Gilkey and staff Greta Dige. Betsy Miller joined the meeting at 5:39.

Minutes:

Philips moved to approve the February 10, 2015 minutes. Wirak second the motion. Motion passed.

General Discussions:

Beattie Street parking lot is still on hold, but Wirak noted he'd like to keep pushing this forward. A general discussion occurred. Philips noted that the BLM may not be able to do anything until 2016.

Philips noted that since there are a number of issues that the BLM are involved in, it would be nice to have a specific plan that outlines the various issues and timelines regarding these issues where the BLM is involved.

Wirak asked what the committee wants to do with the guzzler. Wirak wants to have further input from staff.

A general discussion regarding bears and bear proof garbage cans occurred. No specific actions were proposed.

A general discussion occurred related to the South hills trail plan. Wirak asked Dige to send to the HOLMAC member the actual copy of the contract between the City and PPLT.

Philips discussed the Little Moab trail and if there could be any "approved" parking that could be provided since it appears that there is some platted city streets in the area. No specific action will be taken for this specific location. However, the committee does want to keep an eye out for future development of parking.

The committee discussed some private property encroachment on the waterline trail. Here people are bypassing the official trail and trespassing on private land. The committee would like to see a new sign informing the public of the private property locations.

Dige noted that the City did get the weed grant. This will mainly be used in the South hills trails area.

Dige discussed some new signs regarding dogs. The signs will indicate where the leash zone will begin and end.

McLane moved to adjourn the meeting and Philips second the motion. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 12, 2015 at 5:30

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: